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SUBJECT: Weekly Missouri Influenza Report, 2002-2003 Season

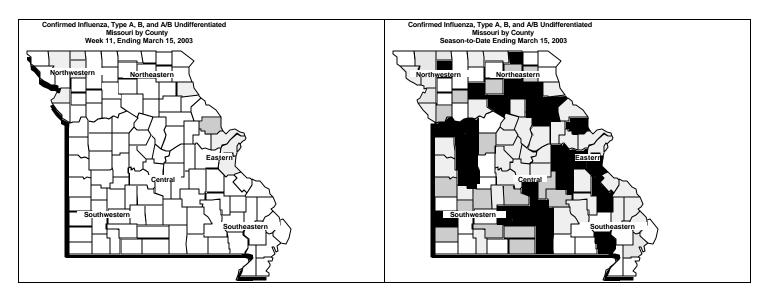
(All data in this report are provisional and may change as reports are updated.)

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Missouri is reporting "sporadic influenza activity" to the CDC for Week 11.

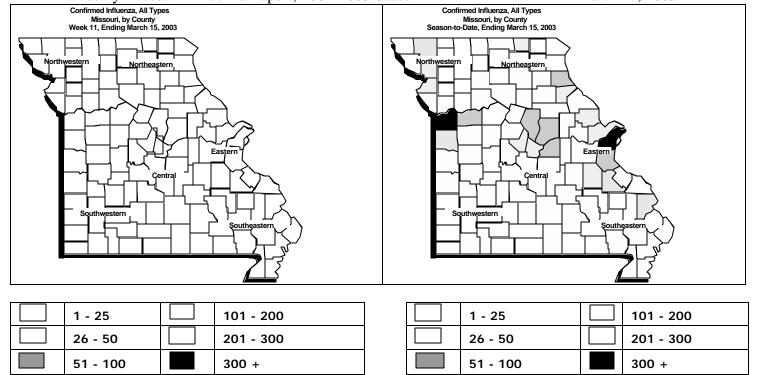
| Reported Laboratory Confirmed Cases by Sub-type For the Week Ending March 15, 2003 (Week 11) | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|---|---|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| Serogroups A A A A B A A Or B Untyped (rapid test) Total | | | | | | | | |
| Week 11 | 24 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 21 | 55 | | |
| Season-to-Date* | 350 | 2 | 5 | 1,014 | 1,995 | 3,366 | | |

^{*}The influenza season begins with week 40 (week ending October 5, 2002) and ends with week 20 (week ending May 17, 2003).



| | A and Untyped | A only | | |
|--|---------------|------------------|--|--|
| | B and Untyped | B only | | |
| | Untyped | A, B and Untyped | | |

| A and Untyped | A only |
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| Clusters/Outbre aks of Influenza-like Illness For the Week Ending March 15, 2003 (Week 11) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|----|----|----|--------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Health District | Central | Eastern | NW | SE | SW | Season- to-date | Last Year Season- to-date | | |
| School Closings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 205 | 6 | | |
| Community Outbreaks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | | |
| Long Term Care or Institutional Outbreaks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 10 | | |
| Other Outbreaks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Season-to-Date | 51 | 9 | 81 | 23 | 45 | 212 | 19 | | |

| Pneumonia and Influenza (P&I) Deaths | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| For the Week Ending March 08, 2003 (Week 10) | | | | | | |
| Week 10 | Week 10 Season-to-Date Week 10 Last Season 10 Year Weekly Media | | | | | |
| 65 761 48 48* | | | | | | |

^{*} Prior to 1999, P&I data were collected from week 46 through week 17; therefore, the ten-year median will be noted only during those weeks.

| U.S. Influenza Sentinel Physicians Surveillance Network (US ISPSN) Influenza-like Illness (ILI) for the Week Ending March 08, 2003 (Week 10) | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| Age 0-4 | Age 5-24 | Age 25-64 | Age 65+ | Total ILI Patients Seen | Total Patients Seen | Percent ILI | | |
| 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2,416 | 0.12%* | | |

*****US ISPSN reporting is incomplete for this week. This percentage should be considered with caution.

| Respiratory Specimens Submitted to SPHL for Viral Testing For the Week Ending March 15, 2003 (Week 11) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|---|--|--|
| | $\overline{}$ | Positive Specimens | | | | | | | |
| | Influenza | Para- influenza | Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) | Adeno- virus | Rhino- virus | Entero- virus | Total Number Specimens Submitted | | |
| Week 11 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | | |
| Season-to-Date | 79 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 210 | | |

CDC antigenically characterizes a sample of positive Missouri influenza isolates, submitted through the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL). DHSS has received the results on 14 Missouri isolates. Their antigenic profiles were antigenically similar to that of the reference strain influenza B/Hong Kong/330/2001. Influenza B/Hong Kong/330/2001 was the recommended B component of the 2002-03 influenza vaccine.

Sources of Data: Laboratory confirmed cases are reported to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) passive communicable disease surveillance system through the disease registry. Suspected influenza clusters and outbreaks are reported through the active surveillance system. Pneumonia and influenza deaths are reported through the DHSS Bureau of Vital Records. Influenza-like illness data by age category and total number of patient visits by week are reported voluntarily by participants in the U.S. Influenza Sentinel Physicians Surveillance Network.

This report may also be found on the DHSS Internet at: www.dhss.state.mo.us/Influenza/index.html. National influenza surveilla nce information is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at: www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/flu/weekly.htm.

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services after hours number for reporting disease cases and emergencies is 1-800-392-0272.